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Hospital plan back to square one?

EXPANSION

Proposed sites for civic campus getting reviewed

Lucy Scholey
Metro | Ottawa

You could call it a déjà vu moment for the Ottawa Hospital's Civic campus.

On Tuesday, the National Capital Commission announced it would take another look at the 12 federal lands initially on the table for the hospital's expansion in 2008.

The sites include Tunney's Pasture, a parcel of land near Algonquin College, Hurdman Station and, controversially, the Central Experimental Farm. The NCC will review other sites beyond the original 12 before making the final list public later this year.

The NCC board approved the site selection process on Tuesday, which puts the Civic campus expansion plan back to square one.

"I think it's just due diligence to look at it," said NCC CEO Mark Kristmanson. "We're re-validating the process that the Ottawa Hospital and (the Local Health Integration Network) went through."

The former Conservative government's plan to redevelop the hospital's Civic campus on 60 acres of Experimental Farm land was met with public backlash in 2014.

Earlier this year, Heritage Minister Melanie Joly instructed the NCC to reopen the site selection process.

At least two of the dozen original sites, Bayview Road and the former Nortel campus, will be cut from the list. The former is home to the innovation centre, which is still under construction, and the latter is now used for the Department of National Defence.

In an emailed statement, Carleton Conservative MP Pierre Poilievre said this review is redoing work and delaying construction for a "desperately needed hospital."

A sub-committee will evaluate the lands and consult with several stakeholder groups including Friends of the Farm, the city, and the provincial health ministry.

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Trudeau, Peña Nieto reach deal on visa requirements and Canadian beef. **Canada**

Pedestrians on Elgin Street must often dodge hydro poles, patios, garbage bins and hydrants to get where they're going. EMMA JACKSON/METRO

Elgin makeover a fine balance

INFRASTRUCTURE

Updates must manage car, cyclist and walking needs

Emma Jackson
Metro | Ottawa

Elgin Street's getting an extreme makeover in 2018, and on Tuesday residents packed city hall to tell staff what that should include.

From bike lanes to better sidewalks to proper patios, hundreds took part in the discussions, which will help staff develop a detailed design this fall.

Somerset Coun. Catherine McKenney called Elgin "a failed street," and the high turnout told her the community agrees.

"It's failing businesses who want more space for patios," she said. "It's failing pedestrians, who can't safely and comfortably navigate those narrow sidewalks. It's failing cyclists who need safe routes to travel and to shop."

It's still early days: staff laid out 11 different configurations that could fit inside the street's narrow 18.2-metre right-of-way, from the vehicle-centric status quo to broad promenades that put pedestrians first.

The public will get another opportunity to comment in November, and the two-year construction project will begin in 2018 at the earliest.

It's a fine balance between maintaining a major downtown arterial, and supporting a vibrant main street, staff said.

Delivery trucks still need to access local businesses, pedestrians need a certain level of accessibility, and street trees and public art would eat into on-street parking or patio options.

And with competing priorities comes competing opinions.

The pedestrian

Les Farkas has lived at Elgin and Gladstone for 15 years.

"I've watched the sidewalks get narrower and narrower," he said. Pedestrians must walk in the road to avoid an obstacle course of hydro poles, fire hydrants, newspaper boxes and garbage cans — squeezed even tighter by restaurant patios, he said. And good luck if you're in a wheelchair, Farkas added.

These challenges aren't unique to Elgin Street, according to Dianne Breton, chairwoman of the Council on Aging's pedestrian safety committee.

She said wide sidewalks, safe crosswalks, proper lighting and benches are all key to comfortable walking for seniors and people with mobility issues.

And what's good for the senior is good for everyone, Breton said.

"(Elgin) is so people-oriented, isn't it?" she said. "The main thing is to have a feet-first approach. The priority is to pedestrians, then cyclists, then drivers."

The cyclist

Jo Woods has been hit by a car before, and isn't keen to repeat the experience.

The daily cyclist is especially vigilant heading south on Elgin, where there's less space.

"That's the biggest thing for me," she said. "I'm always jittery."

Wood said she'd support bike lanes, but said the O'Connor bikeway two blocks west will give cyclists another north-south option when it opens later this year.

Staff have proposed several options, from simple bike lanes to raised tracks. But other renderings prioritize wide promenades, and some neglect cycling infrastructure entirely.

The driver

Gatineau resident Roger Begin was parked on Elgin Tuesday afternoon. He has little choice but to drive there, and the parking is convenient enough. But Begin still gave a thumbs-up to the idea of a road diet — including a reduction of parking.

"I would plan where I need to go," Begin said. "I can organize myself."

Not all drivers would agree, of course, and McKenney said she expects some pushback on parking reductions.

But several proposed configurations would still allow parking, and McKenney reminded drivers the city's parking garage is a nearby option, too.

The business owner

Keith Loiselle owns Woody's Pub near Lewis Street on Elgin.

He's frustrated that southend businesses don't have a BIA to organize festivals and lobby for resources, like the ByWard Market and Sparks Street do.

He's hoping widened sidewalks and updated infrastructure will make the street "look friendlier."

But he was hesitant to sacrifice parking, especially when the street relies on visiting suburban residents.

"We still want people from Kanata and Barrhaven to come down, and they're not taking their bikes," he said. "Reducing our parking seems like a negative."

SNAPSHOT: ONE HOUR ON WEDNESDAY

Here's a snapshot of Elgin St. traffic between Somerset and Cooper streets in the span of one hour on May 11.

MORNING RUSH HOUR
Vehicles: 755 per hour (northbound)
Cyclists: 50 per hour (both ways)
Pedestrians: 800 per hour (both ways)

AFTERNOON RUSH HOUR
Vehicles: 766 per hour (southbound)
Cyclists: 50 per hour (both ways)
Pedestrians: 860 per hour (both ways)

BACKLASH

Province revives autism funding

Children five and older with autism will no longer be cut off from government-funded intensive therapy, as the Ontario government announced new funding Tuesday, but some parents are not ready to forgive the Liberals for the "misery" they endured.

The Liberal government announced earlier this year that a new Ontario Autism Program would do away with the distinctions between Intensive Behavioural Intervention and Applied Behaviour Analysis and blend them into a service that would tailor the intensity of therapy to a child's individual needs.

But that program was not due to roll out until 2018, and in the meantime the government said it would stop funding IBI for kids over four, giving families of kids removed from the IBI wait list $8,000 to pay for private therapy during the transition.

The backlash from parents was swift and sustained. Hundreds of children had spent two or three years on the IBI wait list, only to be abruptly removed and given an amount of money that would only pay for, at most, a few months of therapy.

Michael Coteau, the new minister for children and youth services, announced Tuesday that those families will be given direct funding — in successive payments of $10,000 — to pay for therapy until their child has a spot in the new program, or if they prefer, ABA funded by the government.

The government is also speeding up the transition to the new program, with a goal of implementing it in June 2017.

"With this additional funding we are ensuring service continuity — in other words, there will be no gaps in service," Coteau said.

Officials estimate the cost of several changes to the program transition will be $200 million, in addition to the $333 million that had already been earmarked for the new Ontario Autism Program.

Kids five and older who were already receiving IBI when the changes were announced this spring will continue in treatment, Coteau said.

Officials had said those children would be transitioned out of IBI after six months.

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Police changing how they respond to sex assaults

PILOT PROJECT

Victims will receive four hours of free legal counsel

Joe Lofaro
Metro | Ottawa

As the province of Ontario announced the start of a new pilot project to improve supports for victims of sexual violence, the Ottawa Police Service is also making changes to how it responds to sexual assault cases.

The province's new attorney general, Yasir Naqvi, said Tuesday that victims in Ottawa, Toronto and Thunder Bay will now have the option to seek up to four hours of free legal advice starting this week, regardless of when the assault occurred.

The pilot project will continue until March 2018 and the province will measure how successful it was upon its completion.

> **"They've developed ways to make it easier for somebody to go and report."**
> Erin Leigh

Victims' advocates have said while this is a positive step in the right direction, they say they would have liked to have seen the province offer victims legal representation in the court process.

Meanwhile, the Ottawa Police Service has recently made changes to how officers respond to sexual assault cases after consultation with community groups.

One of the biggest changes that will be visible to the public is the reporting structure at the police station. There is now a kiosk where victims can report privately that they have been sexually assaulted, rather than speaking through a window at the front desk.

"When you go to the station, it's bullet proof glass. Are you expecting somebody to yell that they've had a sexual assault? So they've developed ways to make it easier for somebody to go and report," said Erin Leigh, executive director of the Ottawa Coalition to End Violence Against Women.

About a dozen frontline officers are also going through a second round of a three-day course in September where they will receive "victim-centred" training, said Insp. Joan McKenna.

POLITICS TWO OF THREE AMIGOS MAKE TIME FOR EXERCISE Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto run across the Alexandra Bridge from Ottawa to Gatineau, Quebec on Tuesday. See the Canada page for full coverage of Peña Nieto's visit to Ottawa ahead of today's Three Amigos summit with U.S. President Barack Obama.
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PUBLIC SERVANTS

Unions file notice for new pay system

The largest union representing public servants is now going to court to demand the federal government fix its pay system after many workers say they are getting paid weeks or months behind schedule, or not at all.

The Public Service Alliance of Canada said in a news release Tuesday it is part of a group of unions that has jointly filed a notice of application with the Federal Court to demand the government implement a pay system "that meets its obligations under the Financial Administration Act and the Directive on Terms and Conditions of Employment."

The federal government's new pay system, Phoenix, has been plagued with glitches for several months. The problems span the country and seem to mostly affect non-standard pay cheques like contract work, student work, acting pay, overtime and parental leave.

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Syrian cuts out a new life

IMMIGRATION

Nour Khaoule has worked as a barber since February arrival

In his native Syria, he was a barber. And now, in his new homeland of Canada, 22-year-old Nour Khaoule is working in his trade.

He is now cutting hair at the Heads Up Barber Shop in the Ultramar Plaza in Stittsville.

Khaoule, who was a barber for seven years in Syria, is taking English language training in Kanata every morning and then works at the Heads Up Barber Shop every afternoon.

Frank Olszynko, owner of the Heads Up Barber Shop and a long time barber himself, calls Khaoule a very good barber as well as a "very pleasant young man." He says that Khaoule's English is improving daily.

If necessary, Olszynko helps Khaoule communicate with customers, using what he calls "barber sign language," indicating to Khaoule with hand signals how the customer wants his hair cut.

Frank Olszynko, right, owner of the Heads Up Barber Shop in Stittsville, welcomes barber Nour Khaoule, left, who has come to Canada from Syria. JOHN CURRY/METROLAND MEDIA

He says that customers have been very warm and welcoming to Khaoule when they learn that he is a refugee from Syria.

Olszynko says that Syrians are known for their barbering expertise. Indeed, Olszynko had recently been talking to his wife Frima about this barbering excellence by Syrians, wondering if perhaps he should contact the Syrian community in his quest for a new barber at his shop.

> **A very pleasant young man.**
> Frank Olszynko on Nour Khaoule

Upon further investigation, it turned out that a former barbering colleague knew of someone and it turned out to be Khaoule.

Khaoule came to Canada from Damascus in February as a refugee, sponsored by his sister with whom he now lives.

He spoke only Arabic when he arrived but now is quickly learning English thanks to the English language training that he is taking.

His brother back in Syria is also a barber with 15 years' experience. His parents are still in Damascus as well.

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COMMUNITY CENTRE

Programs to double in the fall

Programming at the Alexander Community Centre is getting an overhaul this fall, as the city prepares to double its offerings in the Carlington community.

Dance Alliance used almost the entire community centre, which celebrates 50 years this year, on Saturdays, which limited the number of programs offered on weekends, said River Coun. Riley Brockington.

"The community centre has been a concern in the community since I took office because there have been concerns that the programming and services offered weren't really reflective of the changing needs and demographics of the community," Brockington said.

Don Davies, recreation supervisor for the centre, said many of the programs were suggestions from the community.

"The message we are getting from the community is they want to see more for adults and seniors, and some more specialty programs for children and youth, not the typical drop-ins after school," Davies said.

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PUBLIC SPACES

Feds to consider policy welcoming skaters to the Garden of Provinces

Haley Ritchie
Metro | Ottawa

The National Capital Commission (NCC) is considering a new policy to welcome skateboarders to the Garden of the Provinces and Territories at Wellington Street and Bay Street.

The concrete plaza — with its plentiful stairs and ramps — has been a popular, if illegal, spot for skateboarders since the 1980s. A few years ago, anti-skateboarding measures were installed, but the Ottawa Skateboard Community Association, co-directed by Meag Isaacs and Aaron Cayer, is asking the NCC to reconsider.

"It's seen in their community as a traditional place to skateboard and a lot of the stars of skateboarding have passed through that park, so if there's a way we can work together, we'll try to find it," said NCC CEO Mark Kristmanson at board meeting Tuesday.

"It's breathing new life into a facility like that, without spending any money. Why don't we let the public decide how to use the space?" said Cayer, who added that allowing skateboarding encourages people to get outdoors and be active, while animating the city. "It's a very progressive idea," he said.

The group isn't asking for a full blown "skate park" but instead a legalized skate spot. They're also open to the park being accessible for skateboarding at certain times or in a certain area.

The garden is also the potential new location for the controversial victims of communism memorial, but the area for the memorial would be separated from the designated skate spot by pathways and grass.

Cayer said most people respect monuments like the National War Memorial, and he doesn't anticipate any conflict between skateboarding access and the new memorial.

DEVELOPMENT

RioCan wants 417 ramp to stay open

The potential closure of the ramp from westbound Carling Avenue to eastbound Highway 417, located behind the Westgate Mall, won't impact the initial stages of the redevelopment of the Westgate RioCan site.

But it might have an impact on later stages, said Stuart Craig, vice-president planning and development for RioCan.

"I don't think it will impact the development, but it could limit how much bigger we get in the future," Craig said after a recent public information meeting at the Best Western on Carling Avenue.

"We're not in favour of the closure, whether we're redeveloping the site or we leave the mall the way it is today."

Roderick Lahey, who is the architect for the project, outlined some of the changes that have been made since it was considered by the urban design review panel.

Those changes include more pedestrian access to the site, but the biggest change is the towers fronting Carling Avenue have been pushed back from the street, he said, adding that change better fits with a pedestrian focus.

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Visa rules changing

POLITICS

In turn, Mexico will import Canadian beef

Canada will lift its controversial visa requirement for Mexican visitors before the end of the year, while Mexico has agreed to end long-standing restrictions on Canadian beef imports, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said Tuesday.

Although both changes are still months away, Trudeau and Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto expressed satisfaction that the two main irritants in their bilateral relationship would be removed, paving the way for deeper co-operation.

"This move will make it easier for our Mexican friends to visit Canada while growing our local economies and strengthening our communities," Trudeau told a news conference on Parliament Hill, Peña Nieto standing alongside.

Ending Mexican restrictions on Canadian beef, a lingering side-effect of long-standing fears over mad-cow disease, "will support Canadian farmers and Canadian families," he added.

The visa requirement will be lifted by Dec. 1, while the beef ban ends in October.

The previous Conservative government imposed visas in 2009 to stop thousands of asylum claims being made by ineligible Mexican citizens — a controversial move that has stood as the major irritant between the two countries. The visiting Mexican president was clearly happy to see its demise.

"Since 2009, this barrier has been set, but today thanks to a great political will, we are overcoming such a barrier," Peña Nieto said in Spanish.

Conservative immigration critic Michelle Rempel said in a statement that Trudeau was making "a political decision that puts the security of Canadians at risk" by lifting the visa.

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MISSISSAUGA, ONT. HOME EXPLOSION ROCKS GREATER TORONTO AREA One person has died in an explosion that levelled one home and damaged at least two dozen others in Mississauga, Ont., west of Toronto. A Peel paramedic spokesman said Tuesday night that a woman died at the scene and about a dozen other people were treated for minor injuries. He said none of the injured had to be taken to hospital. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

MARVEL

Trudeau's superhero debut

Justin Trudeau in comic book form. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Make way, Liberal cabinet: Prime Minister Justin Trudeau will have another all-Canadian crew in his corner as he suits up for his latest feature role — comic book character.

Trudeau will grace the variant cover of issue No. 5 of Marvel's Civil War II: Choosing Sides, due out Aug. 31.

Trudeau is depicted smiling, sitting relaxed in the boxing ring sporting a Maple Leaf-emblazoned tank and red boxing gloves. Standing behind him are Puck, Sasquatch and Aurora, who are members of Canadian superhero squad Alpha Flight.

"I didn't want to do a stuffy cover — just like a suit and tie — put his likeness on the cover and call it a day," said award-winning Toronto-based cartoonist Ramon Perez.

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Suicide attacks kill dozens in Istanbul

ATATURK AIRPORT

Daesh suspected in bombings that also wounded scores of others

Three suspected Daesh suicide bombers targeted the international terminal of Istanbul's Ataturk airport Tuesday, killing at least 36 people and wounding many others, Turkish officials said.

Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yildirim said 36 were dead and Justice Minister Bekir Bozdag said 147 were wounded. Another senior government official, who spoke on condition of anonymity in line with government protocol, told The Associated Press the death toll could climb much higher.

Yildirim said three suicide bombers were responsible for the attack and all initial indications suggest the Daesh group, also known as ISIS or ISIL, was behind it.

He said the attackers arrived at the airport in a taxi and blew themselves up after opening fire.

The victims included some foreigners, he said, adding that many of the wounded have minor injuries but others are more badly hurt.

Another Turkish official said two of the attackers detonated explosives at the entrance of the international arrivals terminal after police fired at them, while the third blew himself up in the parking lot.

The official, who also spoke on condition of anonymity, said none of the attackers managed to get past security checks at the terminal's entrance.

Turkish airports have security checks at both the entrance of terminal buildings and then later before entry to departure gates.

Hevin Zini, 12, had just arrived from Duesseldorf, Germany, with her family and was in tears from the shock.

"There was blood on the ground," she told The Associated Press. "Everything was blown up to bits.... If we had arrived two minutes earlier, it could have been us."

+ OTHER ATTACKS

Turkey has seen several bombings in recent months linked to Kurdish or Daesh militants.

- **The bombings include** two in Istanbul targeting tourists — which authorities have blamed on Daesh.
- **The attacks have increased in scale and frequency**, scaring off tourists and hurting the economy. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Two South African tourists, Paul and Susie Roos from Cape Town, were at the airport and due to fly home at the time of the explosions.

"We came up from the arrivals to the departures, up the escalator when we heard these shots going off," Paul Roos said. "There was this guy going roaming around, he was dressed in black and he had a hand gun."

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1 **Distraught survivors of the attack** leave Ataturk, Turkey's largest airport. GETTY IMAGES

2 **Emotional passengers who survived the attacks cry** as they leave Ataturk airport in Istanbul. GETTY IMAGES

3 **Turkish police block the road** as relatives of the passengers wait outside Ataturk. GETTY IMAGES

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Scenarios to block Brexit

REFERENDUM

'Remain' camp suggest ways to keep Britain in the EU

As continental powers pressure a nervous Britain to formally apply to exit the European Union, die-hard "remain" supporters are taking on the mission to put the brakes on the so-called Brexit.

Here are some of the suggestions from the pro-EU camp on how Britain could end up staying in the bloc, and an evaluation of each one by Gavin Barrett, an expert on European constitutional law at University College Dublin:

Demonstrators chant and clap on College Green outside Parliament at an anti-Brexit protest in central London on Tuesday. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Ignore the referendum

Parliament has no explicit legal obligation to implement the referendum's decision. Conceivably, elected representatives in Westminster could just ignore the electorate's verdict and opt to stay in the EU.

But Barrett says the idea that lawmakers could shrug off the popular vote altogether is fanciful. "On a likelihood scale, I'd say zero per cent," he says. "Governments cannot simply ignore the directly expressed will of the people."

Invoke a Scottish veto

Britain's Parliament cannot normally legislate on Scottish matters without the assent of Scotland's staunchly pro-EU parliament. Given that a withdrawal would likely mean quashing the application of EU laws in Scotland, some argue that gives Edinburgh a veto over the final decision.

So what are the chances that the Scots will ride to the rescue of England's pro-EU minority? "Zero per cent as well," says Barrett. "Under the British constitutional system, Westminster is sovereign at the end of the day."

Hold another election

Could a pro-EU party, or a pro-EU wing of the Conservative Party or Labour Party, emerge from the chaos and fight an election on a platform of bringing Britain back into the European fold?

A major challenge to that scenario is that elections aren't scheduled until 2020 and that between now and then the Conservatives' euroskeptic wing is likely to remain in power. "Political circumstances have combined to make it quite unlikely that a pro-European government will be elected," says Barrett.

Hold a second referendum

What if, instead of a do-over, a new vote were presented as a choice between the EU membership Britain has had until now and whatever new deal governing trade relations it could secure in its exit negotiations with the bloc?

Barrett predicted that any exit deal would be "bound to be inferior" to what the U.K. had before — and that EU powers would put aside their pride to welcome a wayward Britain back into the bloc if voters then endorsed a decision to stay. Of all the possibilities, he said, "I'd put my bet on that."

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SUMMIT

Cameron faces EU anger

British Prime Minister David Cameron fended off anger Tuesday from other European Union leaders at an unprecedented summit charged with uncertainty about the bloc's future without Britain. As leader after leader rejected Cameron's pleas for favourable conditions, he frustrated them by refusing to initiate the divorce proceedings immediately.

In a special session of the EU parliament hours earlier, there had been cries of campaign "lies" from legislators regretting the loss of Britain, and taunting by "leave" campaigner Nigel Farage, leader of the anti-EU U.K. Independence Party. "When I came here 17 years ago and said I wanted to lead a campaign to get Britain to leave the European Union, you all laughed at me. Well, you're not laughing now, are you?"

When the family photo of the leaders at the summit was taken, few were smiling.

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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD
ON THE BROAD IMPLICATIONS OF BREXIT

Isolationist nationalism is ballooning across developed nations, and there's no reason why Canada should consider itself immune

Let's begin on this basic agreement: Brexit was not about the crazies.

There aren't 16 million nutjobs in the U.K.. You might not know it by the liberal media's gleeful embrace of remorseful "leave" voters who couldn't believe their side actually won, or its thrilled reporting on the millions of Brits who Googled "What's the EU?" late Thursday night. And you certainly wouldn't know it by the outrage and shock across the world last Friday after the results were reported.

That shock echoes much of America's utter inability to accept Donald Trump as the Republican presidential nominee (still). And to me, the astronomical level of surprise in both nations has been by far the most surprising — and disturbing — part. How could so many of us (I admit to shock at both movements) be so egregiously ignorant? And when's it Canada's turn to get pied?

There's no opining from a safe distance. It feels like a wave of isolationist nationalism is ballooning across developed nations. One that seems driven by a sort of rediscovery of an ignored working class and its place in the globalized economy. And there's no reason why Canada should consider itself immune.

Not all agree. Michael Hart, a professor emeritus of trade policy and foreign affairs at Carleton University, dismissed the idea that Brexit was about globalization at all. Actually, he called the idea "nonsense." The referendum, he told me, was about "anti-Brussels and anti-EU" sentiment, "and most Canadians would be, too." It was a rejection of the deep political, economic and judicial integration across Europe.

"A lot of people said: All we're doing is saying we're going to be a sovereign country again, negotiate new trade and investment relations," he said, painting the debate in the blandest of terms.

TAKING LEAVE Vote Leave supporters gather to listen to Nigel Farage, the leader of the UK Independence Party after the Brexit vote. MATT DUNHAM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

What about the headline-grabbing immigration debate and underlying xenophobia, I pressed. But he brushed off both, blaming "a lot of ignorant people in the media."

But claiming little substantial xenophobia in a vote championed by far-right UKIP leader Nigel Farage is like arguing Donald Trump is a self-made man: Wanting it to be true doesn't make it thus. Of course a vote for sovereignty is wound up in nationalism, and nationalism and racism are hopelessly entwined.

Acknowledging this doesn't discredit other motivations for "leave" ballots. In a Guardian article this week, one writer argued the referendum was no surprise, after he travelled through the northern, less populated, far less wealthy parts of England that voted to leave, and heard parroted concerns: "There's no decent work." "The politicians don't care about us." "We've been forgotten." Nor does it disparage such economic worries to note some basic facts illuminated by the polls: "Leave" voters were, generally speaking, older, less educated, and less wealthy. Or, to a degree, what might be deemed the "working class."

Perhaps, as Hart argues, these voters were motivated by sovereign worries, but how angry about that would they be if they believed integration was bettering their lives?

That's why, according to a recent Bloomberg story, analysts at Deutsche Bank and Merrill Lynch have admitted in their reports that the working class in the U.S. and the U.K. might be fed up with getting the s–t end of the capitalist stick. Most important, they say: These people left out of global capitalism's benefits still hold enough political power to upend the European order and potentially thrust Donald Trump into the White House. Just as raging lefties I know were forced to bring a barf bag to the referendum polls, where they aligned themselves with David Cameron, raging capitalists are now being forced to align themselves with the likes of Bernie Sanders in admitting we may have a problem here.

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And likely here, in Canada.

Last year, research from the University of Calgary warned that the recent linguistic disappearing act that has made most of us self-identify with the "middle class" now threatens to obscure the legitimate concerns of a traditional "working-class," those in manufacturing,and clerical and service sectors, They are the ones "genuinely struggling to keep up."

"We should not feel complacent about Trump and Brexit, and we should not be just laughing at people who support Trump or voted for Brexit," said Diana Brydon, the Canadian Research Chair in Globalization and Cultural Studies at the University of Winnipeg.

We may have multiculturalism, plus a deep historic dependence on both immigration and global trade, but that doesn't mean people here aren't also afraid that growing international interconnectedness is loosening their control over their own lives.

"It's a sense of being left out of a global economy," she said to me.

Both Brexit and Trump are about a fear of change, a loss of autonomy, and "distrust of what are called elites and distrust of governance systems," she added.

Some are now slamming those same elites for ignoring that exact fear. But if the "Eurocrats, party leaders, academics and pundits" can now be chastised by the Globe and Mail's Margaret Wente for "not understanding their own people," so too should all surprised Americans, and, probably, so should we.

Three Amigos need to make a moral case for international trade

Steve Rennie
Metro | Ottawa

Today, they are amigos. Next year, who knows?

The bonhomie between Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, U.S. President Barack Obama and Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto will be on full display when the three leaders gather in Ottawa today for one of their annual meetings. For now, the three North American leaders agree more than they disagree, most notably, on easing trade barriers.

It is hard to imagine that will be the case when Trudeau and Peña Nieto meet with either Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump at their next gathering.

Both U.S. presidential hopefuls — particularly Trump — are considerably more anti-free trade and inward-looking than Obama. Protectionist rhetoric always heats up during election campaigns, as candidates try to win over voters who are angry about the state of their economy. But this time there seems to be more to it. The populist messages of Trump and Clinton rival Bernie Sanders clearly struck a chord with large numbers of both Republican and Democrat voters. Clinton now opposes the Trans-Pacific Partnership — a trade deal she supported when she was U.S. Secretary of State — and she has distanced herself from the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Obama, Trudeau and Peña Nieto will likely talk about why it's better to break down trade barriers than to erect them. But that message will be a tough sell against the backdrop of a U.S. election campaign in which the candidates are openly deriding international agreements. And, even though Obama is racing against the clock to seal the TPP deal before he leaves the White House in January, he knows full well that whoever succeeds him is bent on undoing as much of the pact as possible.

The meeting runs the risk of being seen as an exercise in futility unless Trudeau and his amigos can make a pro-trade case that goes beyond the usual path-to-prosperity stuff. Trump's rise, Clinton's pivot, and the anti-internationalism that propelled the U.K. Brexit vote all show that large segments of the population aren't buying that line anymore.

There are ways to make such a case. To take just a couple of examples from yesterday's preliminary talks, Trudeau and Peña Nieto agreed to increase the number of student exchanges and they talked about how the countries could assist each other in addressing the plight of indigenous peoples.

The leaders would do well to emphasize such human-scale initiatives. They carry moral weight. They reveal important, underdiscussed dimensions of multilateral cooperation. They can amount to a corrective to anti-trade cynicism.

If this is indeed the last waltz for these likeminded amigos, they need to make it count.

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Ramadan's many meanings

CULTURE

Young Muslims forge their own traditions during the holy month

Genna Buck
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"It's one of the best times of the year."

That's how Asma Hasnat, a 26-year-old college student from Toronto, feels about Ramadan.

During the religious festival, which falls from June 6 to July 5 this year, Muslims abstain from eating, drinking (and having sex, among other things) from sunrise to sunset.

But not all Muslims observe Ramadan the same way.

"It's good to not fast in a way where you just starve yourself from morning to evening," Hasnat said. "Fasting for me has been more about character development."

"(It's) a great time to discipline yourself: not only not eating and drinking, but also holding your tongue back in a moment when you want to say something wrong."

Her view was echoed by Rizwan Mohammad, 35, advocacy co-ordinator for the National Council of Canadian Muslims. He said his personal experience of Ramadan — with family visits, a prayer on the night of the new moon, and daily breakfasts at 3 a.m. — is "a little more traditional."

But that's not true of participants in the weekly drop-in group he leads for young Muslims in the suburbs of east Toronto. They've dubbed themselves Beyond Belief, and many members are what Mohammad calls "unmosqued": They don't belong to a particular faith community, but still want to "try to find a way to revisit their spirituality," during Ramadan.

He's not sure how many people in the group, or his wider social circle, fast according to the traditional rules.

"I see a whole spectrum of observance during Ramadan," Mohammad said.

People who typically don't pray or attend a mosque may start, he said. Siblings make a point to spend more time together. Some people renew their commitment to social justice causes, or "fast" from their favourite movies or music.

Others choose not to go to night prayers at their local mosque, but do come for the free post-fast meal and stay late into the night to enjoy the fellowship.

Mohammad rejects what he calls a tendency to "flatten" Ramadan and make it only about fasting and showing solidarity with the poor and hungry.

Because in addition to being about sacrifice, Ramadan is also a lot of fun: because of its focus on family time, charitable giving, feasting and togetherness.

Mohammad quoted a saying of the Prophet Muhammad, Islam's holiest figure, as evidence that the holy season is about more than abstinence: "Some people get nothing from fasting but starvation and thirst."

WIDE SPECTRUM OF OBSERVANCE

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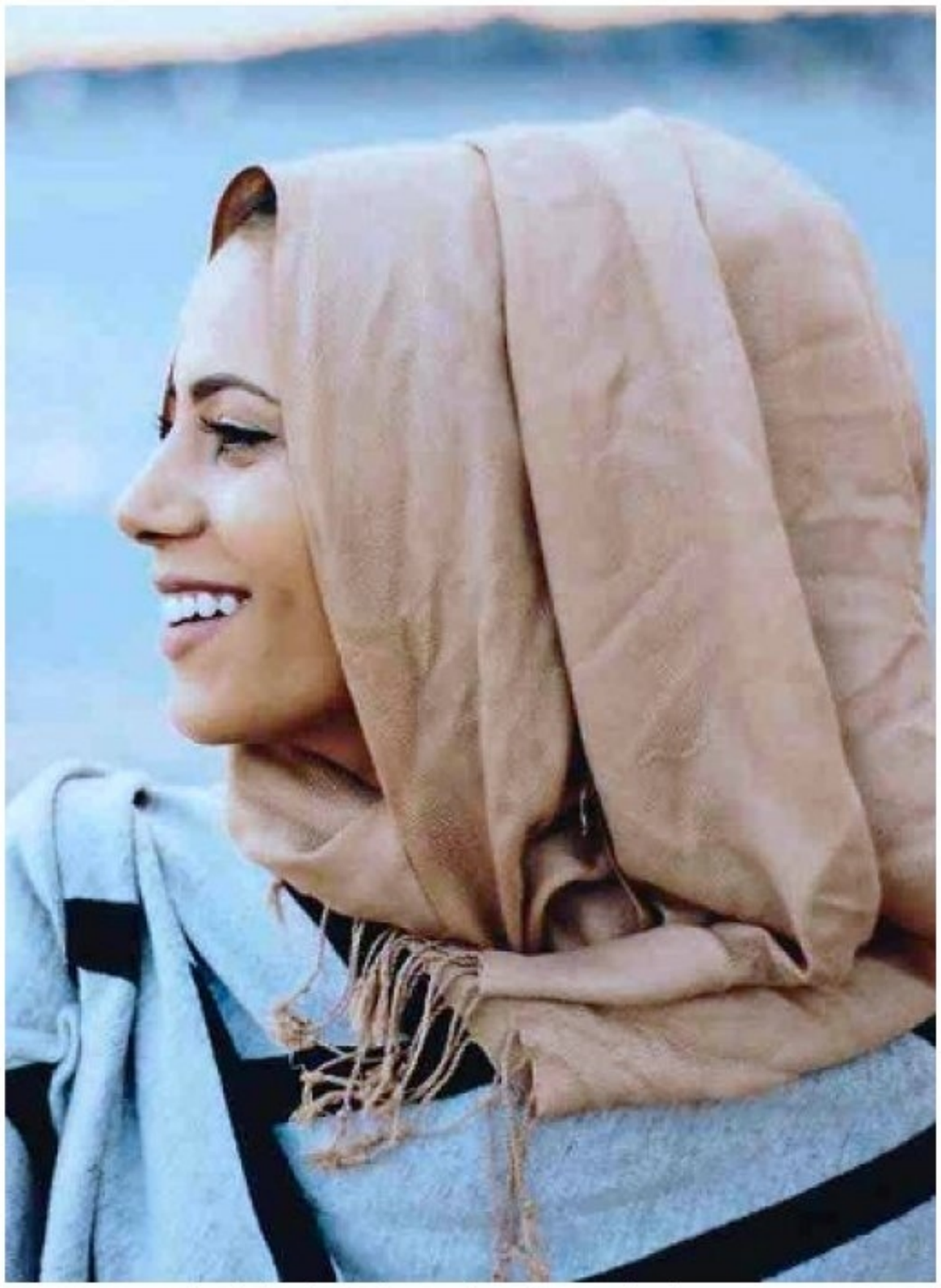
Rizwan Mohammad



Asma Hasnat says that for her, fasting is more about character development. CONTRIBUTED

JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

The joy of Mindy is the clever dialogue

THE SHOW: The Mindy Project, S4, E22 (City)
THE MOMENT: The Princeton Jokes

Fertility doctor Mindy Lahiri (series creator Mindy Kaling) tells her colleagues Morgan (Ike Barinholtz) and Jody (Garret Dillahunt) that her alma mater, Princeton, has invited them to do a presentation on campus.

"Our first Ivy," Jody says. "The perfect demographic for egg freezing: smart, careerist girls who consider science their boyfriends."

As they set up, Mindy is radiant with overconfidence, as usual.

"The last time I was on this stage," she rattles off, "a hypnotist made me think I was a chicken, and I took my clothes off. He didn't ask me to."

"I always knew I'd end up at the Ivy's," Morgan says. "I thought I would be some kind of study cadaver, but this is good, too."

Mindy has been on a rocky road, trying to cope with plot (motherhood, and splitting from Danny, played by Chris Messina). In this episode, the writers and characters are back to form.

They're delivering clever, narcissistic dialogue at high speed. The great pleasure of this series is watching the characters — each of whom is utterly self-involved — pretend to listen to the others, when really they're just waiting for their turn to speak.

So the funny lines (some of the funniest on TV) can ping around where they please. Plot is irrelevant, as long as Mindy keeps saying things like this, with serene self-satisfaction:

"I did that Japanese decluttering thing where you hold something, and if it doesn't bring you joy you throw it out. I got rid of all my vegetables and an electric bill."

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

The Mindy Project is full of self-involved characters. HANDOUT

Eat like the first Canadians

RECIPE

David Wolfman shares an aboriginal-inspired dish

Liz Brown
Metro | Canada

A member of the Xaxli'p First Nation in B.C., chef David Wolfman is an internationally recognized expert in wild game and traditional aboriginal cuisine.

He has fond childhood memories of his mother whipping up feasts for visitors. "When people came over, the first thing we'd do is head to the kitchen and she'd go and make food for everyone. Sharing was always important to us. It's what I do now, I share knowledge and food. That's what the elders have taught me," he says.

For Canada Day, he shares a recipe with Metro using some quintessentially Canadian ingredients: venison (deer meat) and birch syrup. If you can't procure wild game, beef or pork will suffice.

These Nish Kabobs are made of venison with a birch syrup glaze. COURTESY DAVID WOLFMAN

Need birch syrup? You can order it online at wildfoods.ca.

Wolfman dubs the recipe 'Nish Kabobs,' a playful riff on Shish Kabobs. "Nish is a slang term for Anishinaabe," says Wolfman.

Anishinaabe is an umbrella term used to describe some groups of First Nations in Ontario, Manitoba and Quebec.

Nish Kabobs with Birch/ Balsamic Glaze

Makes 4 portions.

Ingredients:

- 1/2 tablespoon crushed black peppercorns
- 2 teaspoons fresh rosemary, chopped
- 1 teaspoon fresh thyme, chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 2 tablespoon packed brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 3 tablespoons soya sauce (or tamari, a gluten-free soya sauce)
- 3 tablespoons lime juice
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon birch syrup
- 12 oz venison/deer tenderloin, cut into 1-1/2 inch long strips
- 1 tbsp olive oil

Directions:

1. Soak eight wooden skewers in warm water for 30 minutes

2. In a stainless steel bowl, mix peppercorns, rosemary, thyme, garlic, Dijon, balsamic vinegar, brown sugar, olive oil, soya sauce, lime juice, salt, and birch syrup; mix well.

3. Divide mixture into two and place half the mixture in a saucepan and simmer on very low heat for 15 minutes, strain and reserve.

4. With the remaining mixture add the venison/deer and turn to coat evenly; let marinate at room temperature for 1 hour.

5. Drain and discard marinade. Thread deer/venison onto wooden skewers.

6. Slightly brush with olive oil and grill over medium-hot heat or broil 2 minutes per side, turning occasionally and do not over cook.

7. Garnish skewers with the reserved glaze

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REFRESHING

A refreshing treat for Canada Day

This is a quick recipe for a tasty smoothie featuring ingredients indigenous to Turtle Island — a name that many First Nations use to refer to North America. And no, there are no turtles in this recipe!

Ingredients

- 1 cup (250 mL) fresh or frozen blueberries
- 1 cup (250 mL) maple water
- 1 avocado diced
- ¼ cup (60 mL) pecans
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) maple syrup
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) sunflower butter

Directions

Combine all ingredients in a blender and blend until smooth. Makes two servings. DAVID WOLFMAN

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KTM X-Bow to hit Canadian streets in 2017

New Spider a fun and worthy rival

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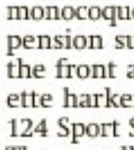
REVIEW

Runs on same platform as MX-5 Miata



Dan Ilika
For Metro Canada

If the Mazda MX-5 Miata taught us anything, it's that fun cars don't have to be expensive, complicated or unreliable.

Tired of its roadsters being remembered as little more than relics of bygone days, Fiat is ready to take another shot at droptop dominance with the 2017 Fiat 124 Spider. And in the ultimate if-you-can't-beat-'em-join-'em fashion, the 124 Spider is based on the very car it hopes to challenge in the sales race.

Three and a half years were spent designing and refining what brand executives hope will become a true halo car for Fiat, and it shows. The 124 Spider may ride on the same architecture as the fourth-generation Miata, but every bit of bodywork and drivetrain has been swapped out to help set it apart from its platform mate.

This new Fiat is made from a monocoque unibody with suspension subframes bolted to the front and rear. Its silhouette harkens back to the Fiat 124 Sport Spider of the 1960s. The overall design, too, follows the course mapped out some 50 years ago, with classic looks that are reserved. If you're looking for a companion for those new perforated leather driving gloves, the 124 Spider would be it.

Regardless of trim — the 124 Spider is available in base Classica, Lusso and Abarth — all cars come with a 1.4-litre MultiAir turbo four-cylinder under the hood. Yes, this powerplant sports forced induction, but no, it's not exactly the turbocharged Miata fanboys and fangirls have been asking for.

With 160 horsepower, it does make more power than the Miata's 2.0-litre, but not enough to wow the diehards. That's particularly the case when considering that the engine is virtually a direct transplant from the likes of the Dodge Dart and Fiat 500L.

But don't let that disheartening fact ruin your 124 experience, because the engine feels completely different in the roadster than in the crossover.

The standard transmission is, well, a standard transmission; a six-speed manual, to be exact. It's a different gearbox than the one found in the MX-5, and boasts short throws and a friendly clutch. Low gears are a touch on the short side, but it makes a nice companion to the 1.4-litre when you feel like banging through the gears.

So if the MX-5 Miata is the standard by which all roadsters are now measured, where does that leave this new Fiat? Well, off to a good start.

Everything that makes the Miata so lovable — its light weight, great balance and near-impeccable handling — carry over nicely to the Fiat, making it a viable alternative to a car that has dominated the segment for close to 30 years.

THE CHECKLIST | 2017 FIAT 124 SPIDER

THE BASICS

Engine: 1.4L turbocharged 4-cylinder
Power: 160 horsepower
Transmission: Six-speed manual or six-speed automatic
Fuel Economy (L/100 km): Nine city, 6.7 hwy (manual)
Price: Starts at $33,495 (before freight)

LOVE IT

- Shared platform with Mazda MX-5 Miata
- Near-perfect weight balance
- Impressive suspension and handling

LEAVE IT

- Lack of headroom
- Lack of sport mode on automatic

M6 GT3

BMW offers first glimpse of art cars

John Baldessari and Cao Fei are behind BMW's 19th and 18th art cars, respectively. HANDOUT

Stephen Elmer
AutoGuide.com

BMW has released details and two photos that offer us a glimpse at what its upcoming art cars will be all about.

Two different artists are creating these cars; Cao Fei of China will put together the 18th BMW art car while American John Baldessari will create the 19th.

Both will start with a BMW M6 GT3 as their canvas, though both are taking different approaches to the process.

Fei says that her main theme will be "a landscape of no man's land," referencing self-driving cars and virtual reality.

"I expect to transcend the current context of 'cars' and to embrace new possible ways of expressions. To me, that not only includes the artist, but also the public," said Cao Fei.

Baldessari approached the car with his signature style of placing brightly coloured dots around an object.

IN BRIEF

The Next BMW 3 series to be built in Mexico

ISTOCK

Soon, one of BMW's most iconic vehicles will be built in Mexico.

BMW has announced the start of construction on a new manufacturing plant in San Luis Potosí, Mexico where the 3 Series Sedan will be built in the future. Production of the car is scheduled to begin in 2019, with annual production pegged at 150,00 units.

It will be a full plant complete with a body shop, paint shop and assembly line. The plant will also be BMW's most resource-efficient production location thanks to solar panels and a focus on water conservation.

STEPHEN ELMER/FOR METRO

Muddy boots wanted in lux trucks

IN BRIEF

Nissan develops ethanol-powered fuel cell

Nissan has revealed a new fuel-cell propulsion system which uses an onboard tank of ethanol to produce electricity to power an engine. Called an e-bio fuel cell, Nissan says that the new car will be able to travel more than 370 miles on a single tank of ethanol.

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Lamborghini museum gets a refresh

Lamborghini's headquarters in Sant'Agata Bolognese, Italy houses the brand's official museum, which just received a complete overhaul. The impressive list of vehicles includes classics like the Diablo with four-wheel drive and the P 140 with its aluminum chassis.

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SUPER DUTY

Vinyl flooring never looked so fancy

Ford is making sure that the working man with muddy boots will feel comfortable in its luxury pickups. For 2017, the Ford Super Duty lineup will offer a vinyl flooring option for the King Ranch and Platinum edition trucks, offering customers a luxury interior without the fancy carpeting which quickly gets dirty. To make sure that these models still stand out, the vinyl flooring is more durable and thicker than in base models. "Super Duty customers use their trucks in all aspects of their lives — including for work and as a personal vehicle," said Doug Scott, Ford truck group marketing manager. "They want the luxury of a King Ranch or Platinum edition, while maintaining their ability to use the truck for work without fear of ruining the interior."

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The Canadian women's rugby sevens 2016 Olympic team have been drawn into a group with Britain, host Brazil and Japan

Serena tries silence while chasing history

WIMBLEDON

Champion says she puts Graf's record out of mind

Leave all the chatter about Serena Williams' pursuit of her 22nd major singles trophy to others.

Williams and her coach, Patrick Mouratoglou, do not discuss that number.

"We don't talk about it at all. Zero," Mouratoglou said Tuesday at Wimbledon after watching Williams win her first-round match.

Why is that?

"Because there is nothing to talk about. We have a Grand Slam (title) to win, and that's what's most important. We don't talk about the reward," he said. "We talk about the work we have to do."

That is going to include some extra time spent fine-tuning the top-seeded Williams' serve after she delivered five double-faults, including three in one game, and faced five break points during an uneven 6-2, 6-4 victory over Amra Sadikovic, a Swiss qualifier ranked 148th and making her Grand Slam debut.

"It's very rare that everything works perfectly the first round. It's one of the things that were not good today, so we're going to work on it," Mouratoglou said. "But it's not a big deal. I don't think it's a big deal."

It didn't take long for the first rain of this year's tournament, which cut short action in the early evening and limited play to the main stadium, the only venue with a roof at the All England Club. In all, 14 matches were suspended in progress and 17 were postponed altogether.

> **There's nothing ... mentally too hard for me.**
> Serena Williams

Since earning her sixth Wimbledon championship and 21st Grand Slam title a year ago, Williams has gone 18-3 at majors, with the losses coming in the U.S. Open semi-finals, the Australian Open final and the French Open final.

That led some to surmise that Williams has been beset by nerves as she seeks No. 22, which would equal Steffi Graf's Open-era record (Margaret Court holds the all-time mark of 24).

Williams dismissed the notion of a mental stumbling block.

"I think more or less about winning Australia. I think about winning the French Open. Didn't happen. I think about winning Wimbledon," she said. "I don't necessarily think about winning '22.'"

Then, in what sounded like a reference to various health issues that have put her in the hospital and kept her off the tour for months — blood clots on her lungs in 2010, for example — Williams continued: "Mentally I've been further down than anyone can be. Well, maybe not anyone, but I've been pretty low. There's nothing ... mentally too hard for me."

With her mother sitting in Centre Court's Royal Box, Williams trailed 15-40 in Tuesday's opening game, then won 13 consecutive points and grabbed a 3-0 lead. In the second set, Williams made four unforced errors in one game to get broken and fall behind 2-1. But she broke right back. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Serena Williams won her Wimbledon opener Tuesday. GETTY IMAGES

RAIN DELAYS

It didn't take long for the first rain of this year's tournament, which cut short action in the early evening and limited play to the main stadium, the only venue with a roof at the All England Club. In all, 14 matches were suspended in progress and 17 were postponed altogether.

Of the matches that did conclude, zero seeded players lost.

PADDLING

Canadian puts faith in women's eight

The eight boat in rowing represents the perfect marriage between power and harmony, says Cristy Nurse. It's the ultimate expression of teamwork.

For the past four years, Canada's women's eight has worked daily on finding that rhythm at their training base in London, Ont., in preparation for the Rio Olympics.

Canada won't have a men's boat in rowing's marquee event in Rio, but the women won silver four years ago in London, and headline the 26-member Canadian Olympic rowing team announced Monday.

"The special thing about this boat is it's the ultimate expression of teamwork," said Nurse, a 29-year-old from Georgetown, Ont., and member of the women's eight. "It takes nine minds and nine bodies working together (the ninth member is the coxswain).

Cristy Nurse GETTY IMAGES

"There's a reason it's the eight on those posters in doctors offices and classrooms, that say 'teamwork,' it's really the embodiment of that. And I think that's what this crew is capable of when we get it right."

The Canadian team features 10 returning Olympians, including six who won medals in London. Lesley Thompson-Willie, the coxswain of the women's eight, will compete in her eighth Olympic Games, tying the all-time women's record for any sport.

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Canada qualified six boats for Rio last September at the world championships, and the men's quadruple sculls — Julien Bahain, Will Dean, Rob Gibson, and Pascal Lussier — clinched a spot as the seventh and final boat at the final Olympic qualifying regatta in May.

"We've got incredibly strong athletic girls (in the eight), and going into Rio, it's just going to be about refining and sharpening, so that every stroke is just moving that boat together," Nurse said.

"In this boat class it's about just gliding through the water, we want to take inches from our competition as we move, and sharpening our skills as we go forward. And the bigger the boat, the minds have to come together, and that's our challenge going forward."

Canada has a tradition of excellence in rowing, capturing 40 medals in Olympic history, ninth best in the world.

The Canadian team took home two medals from London — silver in the men's and women's eights.

But post-London, Rowing Canada killed the men's eight program, hoping to spread the resources over a number of smaller boats. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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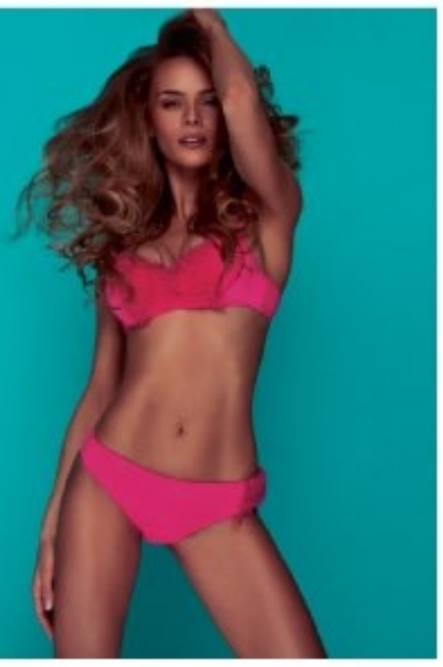

NCAA BASKETBALL

Winningest coach in D1 history dies

Pat Summitt, the winningest coach in Division I college basketball history who uplifted the women's game from obscurity to national prominence during her 38-year career at Tennessee, died Tuesday morning. She was 64.

Pat Summitt
GETTY IMAGES FILE

With an icy glare on the sidelines, Summitt led the Lady Vols to eight national championships and prominence on a campus steeped in the traditions of the football-rich south until she retired in 2012.

Summitt helped grow college women's basketball as her Lady Vols dominated the sport in the late 1980s and 1990s, winning six titles in 12 years. Tennessee won NCAA titles in 1987, 1989, 1991, 1996-98 and 2007-08. Summitt had a career record of 1,098-208 in 38 seasons, plus 18 NCAA Final Four appearances.

She announced in 2011 at age 59 that she'd been diagnosed with early onset dementia.

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SOCCER

Glass slippers a cozy fit on Iceland

EURO 2016 QUARTER-FINALS

Iceland has become the darling of the European Championship thanks to its underdog status and an uncompromising 4-4-2 formation that has made the team unbeatable so far in France.

Don't expect any changes when the smallest country in the tournament takes on the host nation at the Stade de France on Sunday.

"We didn't have so much problems defending (against) the English, and also in ball possession we created a lot of good chances," the team's co-coach Heimir Hallgrimsson said after his team came back from an early deficit to stun England 2-1 in Nice. "If the players play with the same attitude, we can beat anyone."

> **Whoever's not out celebrating is probably trying to get a ticket to France for the next game.**
> Thorir Gudmundsson

In qualification and now in France, the collection of unheralded Icelandic players has forged into a tight-knit formation that gives away almost no chances and has proved clinical when it has broken out to swiftly turn defence into attack. Two 1-1 draws against Portugal and then Hungary followed by a 2-1 defeat of Austria ensured Iceland qualified for the knockout stage in its first appearance at a major tournament.

Then came Monday night's round-of-16 clash with England and another victory that sent the remote island nation of 330,000 people into ecstasy.

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EURO 2016 IN BRIEF

'Slight spasm' keeps Hazard out of practice

Belgium captain Eden Hazard was a noticeable absentee from Tuesday's training session as his team prepared for its quarter-final match against Wales.

Coach Marc Wilmots said that Hazard, who led Belgium to its 4-0 victory over Hungary on Sunday, had a muscle problem.

"Eden felt a slight spasm in the quadriceps at halftime against Hungary," Wilmots said.

"He will be 100 per cent, no problem."

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> **I'm very fragile today. It wasn't a good night, for anyone.**
> Roy Hodgson standing up to "take the slings and arrows" in Tuesday's news conference called by the English Football Association

Jason Day pulled out of the Olympics on Tuesday because of the Zika virus. DAVID CANNON/GETTY IMAGES

World's best birdie men flying the coop

OLYMPICS

Return of golf not a high priority for top players

For the longest time, golf's biggest headache in preparing for a return to the Olympics was getting a new course built in Rio de Janeiro.

That seems like a nuisance compared with its next major hurdle.

Who's going to play?

Ten eligible players over the last two months have pulled out of the Olympics, six of them specifically citing concerns about the Zika virus. The last week alone was particularly devastating to a sport wanting to make a good impression after being gone from the games for 112 years.

Rory McIlroy, a four-time major champion with the broadest global appeal among young stars, was the most prominent player to withdraw. That was until Tuesday when Jason Day, the No. 1 player in the world, said he would not be going. Shane Lowry and Branden Grace are planning to start families and will stay home because of Zika.

Jordan Spieth
GETTY IMAGES

That's four players from the top 25 who won't be in Rio, and dread that more might follow.

One of them might be Jordan Spieth, who described his Olympic position Tuesday as "uncertain."

"I've always been excited about the possible opportunity, but there's quite a few different factors that would turn somebody away from going. It's not just one, there's quite a few factors," Spieth said, mentioning Zika, security and reports of violence.

> **It's not like winning the U.S. Open or winning the Masters or playing in the Ryder Cup.**
> Shane Lowry

No women eligible for the Olympics have dropped out, and they would seem to be at greater risk from Zika. Then again, the women do not have the chance to play on a big stage like the Olympics. All three of their U.S. majors are held the week before the men's majors and often get lost in coverage.

The perception is that Zika is an easy way out from going to South America for an Olympic competition that has little history behind it in golf. And the leading organizations did themselves no favours by cramming their biggest events into the summer ahead of the games. The final two majors, the British Open and PGA Championship, will be held in the month before the competition in Rio.

After the Olympics, PGA Tour players go right into the lucrative FedEx Cup, and then for Americans and Europeans, it's off to the Ryder Cup and its flag-waving fervour. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rio visitors welcomed by striking police

Just weeks ahead of the Olympic Games, police helicopters are grounded, patrol cars are parked and Rio de Janeiro's security forces are so pressed for funds that some have to beg for donations of pens, cleaning supplies and even toilet paper, fuelling worries about safety at the world's premier sporting event.

Brazil is suffering the worst recession in decades and Rio's acting governor has declared a state of financial disaster this month, largely to bolster spending on security as the world's spotlight turns to the city.

> Some 85,000 police and soldiers — roughly twice the security contingent at the London Olympics — are to be deployed during the games.

"How are people going to feel protected in a city without security," Gov. Francisco Dornelles told Rio's O Globo newspaper. "We can have a great Olympics, but if some steps aren't taken, it can be a big failure."

Rio state has slashed budgets across the board, including that of the police. Helicopters have been grounded and more than half of the civil police's fleet of cars has been idled in a bid to save on gas. Even officers' salaries have been delayed.

Angry civil police officers staged a strike on Monday, with one contingent greeting visitors at Rio's international airport with a sign reading, in English, "Welcome to Hell. Police and firefighters don't get paid; Whoever comes to Rio de Janeiro will not be safe."

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RECIPE Turkey Lettuce Wraps

PHOTO: MAYA VISNYEI

Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

These lettuce wraps are a light spin on dinner and receive a monster hit of flavor thanks to ginger, garlic and Sriracha.

Ready in
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 10 minutes

Ingredients
- 1 lb (450 g) ground turkey
- 1 Tbsp (15 ml) of vegetable oil
- 1 red pepper, diced
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) water chestnuts, diced
- 2 scallions, chopped
- 1 clove of garlic, minced
- 1 tsp (5 ml) ginger, minced
- 1 Tbsp (15 ml) rice vinegar
- 1 Tbsp (15 ml) soy sauce
- 1 Tbsp (15 ml) Sriracha
- 1 head of Boston or bibb lettuce
- small handful of cilantro, chopped
- small handful of unsalted cashews, chopped

Directions

1. Warm the oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the turkey and break it up with a spoon as it browns until almost cooked through.

2. Add the peppers, garlic and ginger and keep pushing everything around until it smells amazing and the vegetables begin to soften. Pour in the vinegar, soy and Sriracha, along with the water chestnuts and give it all a stir.

3. Check that the turkey has cooked through. Put the mixture in a serving bowl.

4. Place the meat, whole lettuce leaves, chopped cilantro and nuts on the table and let everyone assemble their lettuce wraps.

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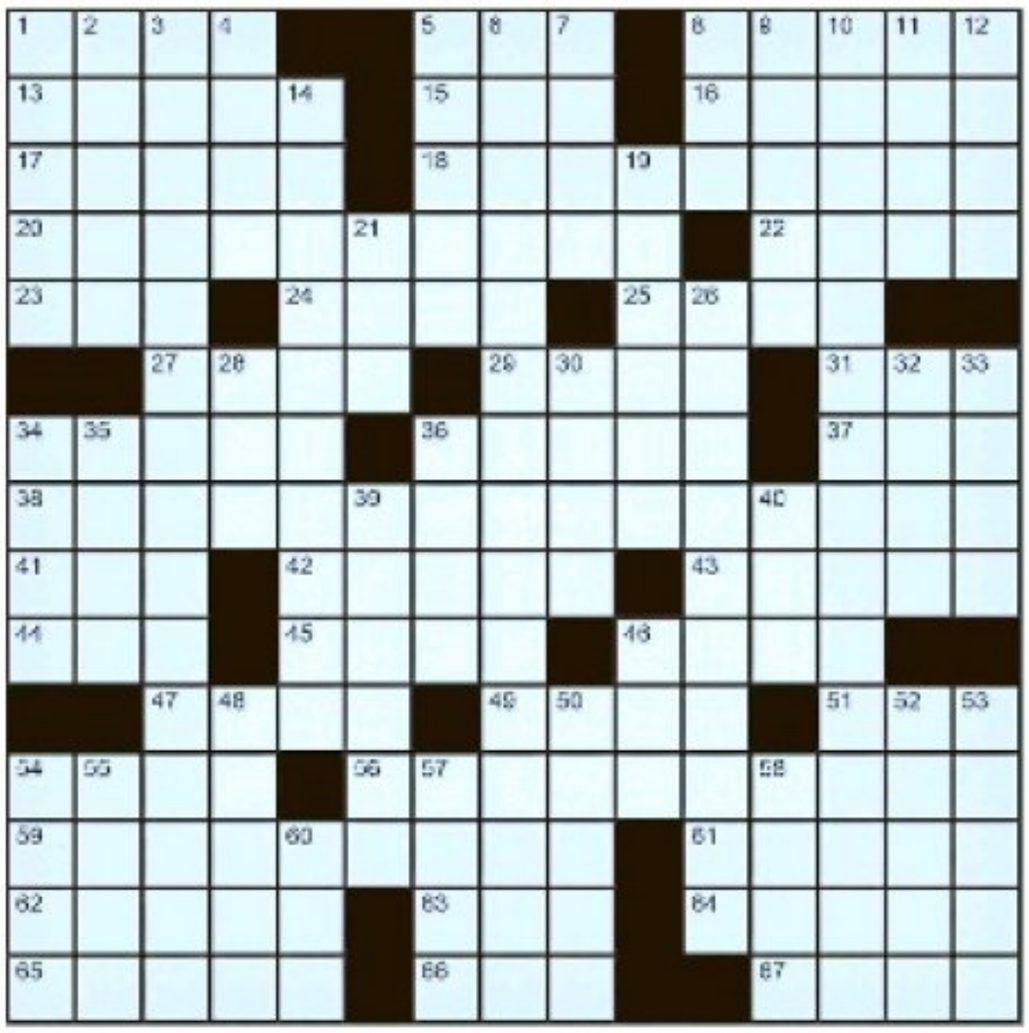

ACROSS
1. Skin 'vent'
5. Afternoon time
8. Model/actress Kate
13. Time and __ (Extra hours pay)
15. Crude
16. Shoe material
17. __ Sergeant
18. Measure that ingredient by sight: 2 wds.
20. Canadian finance magazine/website
22. Contact __ (Vision corrector)
23. Disney-owned network
24. Church's vaulted area
25. Recipe amt.
27. Morns followers
29. 'Thin Man' pooch
31. Letters-for-a-Royal
34. Many times
36. Daggers
37. Goose, in Montreal
38. Alfred Sung's profession: 2 wds.
41. Monk's title
42. Comprehend
43. Heart, in Hull
44. Jack, to Ozzy
45. Lofty
46. Lay ___ thick (Be melodramatic)
47. "What can I ___ fix things?" (Is this repairable?)
49. Acronymed-spot in a Beatles song
51. Aunt's li'l hubby
54. Robert __ (George Gershwin portrayer in film)
56. Shawn Mendes/Camila Cabello duet: "I Know What You Did ___"
59. Ted's sweetheart on "The Mary Tyler Moore Show"
61. Verboten
62. Aqua __ (Gold-dissolving mixture)
63. Increase, with Up
64. 'Laughing' animal
65. PGA, et al.
66. Choler
67. Industrial city in Russia

DOWN
1. Celebrity chef Ms. Lakshmi
2. "__, __!" (Laura Petrie's catchphrase on "The Dick Van Dyke Show")
3. Really 'purr' outside, it's noisy when it hits the house's 'woof': 4 wds.
4. She, in Sherbrooke
5. Balsam Firs
6. Duo of classic Canadian comedy: 3 wds.
7. Has to pay up
8. Can. neighbour
9. Removes
10. In Toronto, one would start with 416...: 2 wds.
11. Norse deity
12. Butterfly banes
14. Chilliwack song that starts "Four men in a rock 'n' roll band...": 3 wds.
19. Ms. Midler's
21. 2008 VP candidate from Alaska ...her initials-sharers
26. Maxim or axiom: 2 wds.
28. "Blah!"
30. Permeate
32. Andre __ (Dutch violinist/conductor of PBS concert fame)
33. Berlin 'mister'
34. Switch settings sometimes
35. 'Yukon's Best Kept Secret' town
36. Hitch
39. Blue Jay's competitor in Baltimore
40. Guck
46. Magazine no.
48. Put one's ___ (Meddle)
50. Mr. McQueen
52. Bright city lights
53. Bullfrog's noise
54. Taj†Mahal's site
55. Horsley and Majors
57. The Bell of __ (Henry Wadsworth Longfellow poem)
58. Potato salad ingr.
60. Car's fill up

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Family discussions will be more important in the next two weeks. Very likely, they will focus on get-togethers, reunions and home repairs. "Let's fix up the place!"

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Today Mercury changes signs, which is why you will be more talkative in the next two weeks. You want to enlighten others. You have something to say!

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Financial matters will be on your mind in the next two weeks. Trust your ability to come up with excellent moneymaking ideas.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Because Mercury will be in your sign for the next two weeks, you are eager to communicate with someone to maintain a friendly relationship. Enjoy reaching out.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Behind-the-scenes research will go well for you in the next few weeks. Keep digging for whatever it is you are looking for, because you will find it.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You will enjoy hanging out with younger people in the next few weeks. This is a good time to share your future goals to get someone's feedback.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Discussions with bosses, parents and VIPs will be important in the next two weeks. You have something to say; they are willing to listen.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
It will be easy to study anything at school or for personal reasons in the next two weeks. Your mind wants to expand and learn whatever it can.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Discussions about shared property, inheritances and insurance disputes will go well in the next two weeks. You've done your homework, and you feel informed.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
The next two weeks are an excellent time to clarify issues or explain something to a close friend or partner. You want to have some intellectual stimulation with others.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You will excel at any kind of mental work in the next two weeks because you will pay attention to detail more than usual. Furthermore, you will set high standards for yourself.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Expect to be in a more playful mood in the next two weeks. You want to have fun with others as well as play pranks. You also will enjoy reading and writing for pleasure.

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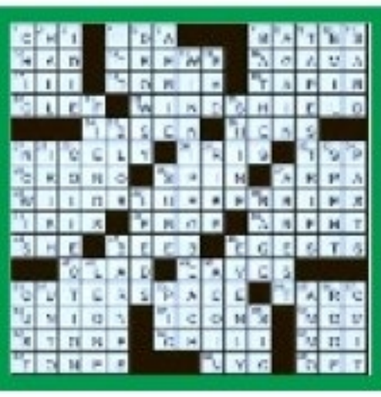

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